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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

VAN LOON ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/493,484

Group Art Unit: 1648

Filed: January 28, 2000

Examiner: Parkin, J.

For: NOVEL ANTIGENIC CLASS OF REOVIRUSES

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Arlington, VA 22313

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Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR RCE OF NOVEMBER 7, 2003 PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §132(B) IN

RESPONSE TO THE FINAL REJECTION OF MAY 7, 2003

I. INTRODUCTION

Applicants respectfully request continued examination of the above referenced application pursuant to 37 CFR §132(b) and that a personal interview be granted during the week of December 2nd, 2003 between Applicants' attorney and the Examiner. Prosecution on the above referenced application is closed, as the application is under final rejection, as of May 7, 2003. Applicants are submitting the fee required pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(e) and making the following submission. Further, Applicants are petitioning for a three month extension of time. Please charge deposit account 02-2334 for the extension of time fee. Further, please charge any other required fees and credit any credits to deposit account number 02-2334.

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II. Submission

The application presently stands rejected from the final rejection of May 7, 2003. Accordingly, prosecution is closed. Applicant respectfully requests an interview with the Examiner before action on the case.

Applicants respectfully submit as follows: